## Second Regular Session 115th General Assembly (2008)

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## **HOUSE ENROLLED ACT No. 1049**

AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning higher education.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. IC 21-12-3-3, AS ADDED BY P.L.2-2007, SECTION 253, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2008]: Sec. 3. To maintain eligibility a student is not required to:

- (1) attend an approved postsecondary educational institution; or
- (2) receive an award;

in consecutive semesters or quarters. However, a recipient's eligibility for an award does not extend more than ten (10) years after the date the initial award is granted.

SECTION 2. IC 21-12-3-4, AS ADDED BY P.L.2-2007, SECTION 253, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2008]: Sec. 4. A student who:

- (1) participates in:
  - (A) a nursing diploma program that is accredited by the Indiana state board of nursing and operated by a hospital;
  - (B) a technical certificate or associate degree program at Ivy Tech Community College; or
  - (C) an associate degree program at a postsecondary proprietary educational institution that qualifies as an approved postsecondary educational institution; and
- (2) meets the requirements in sections 1 and 2 and 3 of this chapter for a first year higher education award except the requirement of satisfactory progress toward a first baccalaureate

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degree;

is eligible to receive a state higher education award under this chapter. However, the student must make satisfactory progress toward obtaining the diploma, technical certificate, or associate degree to remain eligible for the award.

SECTION 3. IC 21-12-3-9, AS ADDED BY P.L.2-2007, SECTION 253, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2008]: Sec. 9. A higher education award for a student in a program leading to a baccalaureate degree may be renewed for a total of three (3) academic years following the academic year of the first award or until an earlier time as the student receives a degree normally obtained in four (4) academic years. A higher education award for a student in a program leading to a technical certificate or an associate degree may be renewed for the number of academic years normally required to obtain a certificate or degree in the student's program. The commission may grant a renewal only upon application and only upon its finding that:

- (1) the applicant has successfully completed the work of a preceding year;
- (2) the applicant remains domiciled in Indiana;
- (3) the recipient's financial situation continues to warrant an award, based on the financial requirements set forth in section 1(3) of this chapter; and
- (4) the applicant is eligible under sections section 2 and 3 of this chapter.

SECTION 4. IC 21-12-3-10, AS ADDED BY P.L.2-2007, SECTION 253, IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2008]: Sec. 10. Out of funds available after commitments have been met under sections 8 and 9 of this chapter, awards shall be issued to persons who have successfully completed at least one (1) but not more than three (3) academic years in approved postsecondary educational institutions, if they meet the eligibility requirements of:

- (1) sections 1 and 2 and 3 of this chapter; or
- (2) sections 4 and 5 of this chapter.

The awards shall be handled on the same basis as renewals under section 9 of this chapter.

SECTION 5. IC 21-12-8-7 IS REPEALED [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2008].

SECTION 6. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2008] 585 IAC 1-9-4(4)(B) is void. The publisher of the Indiana Administrative Code and Indiana Register shall remove that provision from the Indiana

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